

brief, I informed her that I knew of no law which prevented a defendant having witnesses interviewed in his behalf. That we were simply seeking the truth and not endeavoring to get any State witness to change their story.

She then referred to the fact that she did not care to have publicity in the matter. Apparently she was seeking it for the reason that the newspapers got the story that she had been interviewed. I have no doubt but that she gave out the story.

Mr. Ritchie then referred to the fact that if Mrs. Welsh was called as a witness by the defence she would be forced to loose time and be put to expense and asked me how that would be taken care of. I informed him that I was simply making an investigation and had no authority to make any arrangements for the payment of money to any one to re-imburse them for lost time and expenses. That anything along that line would have to be discussed with Mr. Watson.

Respectfully yours,

David Thompson.